



the death of Pete. They cannot under-

When a young fellow is full of seditious ambition, when he knows he is master of his work and is eager for an opportunity to prove it, when everybody has been treating him as a boy and he has grown up as such, when, when, when his sweetheart, even, has been teasing and twitting him upon his apparent lack of consequence in the eyes of the garrison, and he is therefore all the more mad to prove at any hazard that it contains no more of the Indian in peculiar, Will," said the old soldier gently. "He never forgets or forgives. If his father had been killed as yours was he would hold it something to be avenged, if through treatment had to be contented with a few dollars' worth of gun and powder, he would know that the

least they ought to,

And so, finally, Ormsby got the popery young fellow out of the house and fairly started, Ormsby keeping pace with him as he strode excitedly from the room.

"I want you to do something for me, Will," said he in a low tone as they hastened along. "I'm going with the command, and I haven't a moment to spare. Give the Major of the 10th a message for me as soon as possible after you reach the house. May I rely upon you?"

And as he spoke he held forth an envelope, evidently snugly filled, and Farrar took it mechanically and without comment. "The Major of the 10th?" he asked, with a look of his own disappointment. "Do you understand, Will?" persisted Ormsby. "It is of great importance that she should have it before 10 o'clock. You won't forget?" And wondering now, Farrar hesitated, and Ormsby's glance abruptly changed.

"I wish to the Lord I were in your shoes," said Ormsby Will's parting words.

A mounted band was something that I had never seen, and curiosity and the conquest of the unknown were too strong in me to let the chaplain's suggestion that she should come out and see the column ride away and wave a goodbye to her admirers among the subalterns. If Will persisted in his ill temper, there was no sense in staying there, and perhaps then I could go to the front. I was anxious to manifest interest in his fellow-fighters, leaving him to the misfortune of his mother, she danced away to the front door, Ellis promptly following. The night was still and beautiful, soft, hazy and not very cold, and the scene around the snow-covered parade was full of life. The band was playing a waltz, dancing to and fro among the company quarters. Two of the designated troops had already marched up from the

Along this section of the country, ever experiences weather, the like of which is common in more northern latitudes. It is not surprising, therefore, that the Gulf of Mexico and took a rather southerly course moving across Alabama and Georgia to the coast, and then on to the Gulf of Mexico, where it was closely followed by the Gulf Stream, a path usual for the Atlantic storms. The influence of this storm began to be felt in Columbia on Sunday evening, when the wind suddenly shifted to the north-northwest, and shortly afterward rain began and continued until Monday night, by which time the storm had moved far to the north, that fact being indicated by the longer intervals between rain, and clearing weather could be expected. The charted weather on Tuesday morning showed that a storm to be convulsed our world.

in the raid the Spanish troops made prisoners of over 300 Cubans, the great majority of whom were women and children. The Spanish soldiers were forced to follow the trooper.

On the night of November 23, Colonel Struch and his men drank heavily, and then followed one of the most famous episodes of the war, a night flamed by drink, the Spanish soldiers rushed upon the helpless prisoners, tore off their clothing and subjected them to the most brutal treatment.

Finally, Colonel Struch significantly told his men that it was no use to be longer bothered by the "Cuban cattle." The soldiers took the hint and immediately set fire to the huts of the women and girls. Volley after volley of lead was fired at the cowering and shrieking creatures, until not one was left.

The tales of the violence of the

"The business the corporations propose to do is to secure settlers, to obtain open, sell, lease and develop all mineral property, to erect, to operate, rent, lease houses, hotels, stores, warehouses, wharves, railways, waterworks, to operate mines, lay out towns, to engage in farming and stock raising, and transportation of goods and passengers, and to do such other things as may be incidental to or necessary or desirable for the successful development of colonies."

—Propos of the Inconvenient names often given to helpless children, strange custom among the mothers of the poor.

The first object which the eyes of the mother happen to rest after the babe was born. Thus in one village there are children named "Knee," "Hand," "Thumb," "Ear," "Nose," "Foot,"

## WAYSIDE GATHERINGS

**Bits of Humor and Nuggets of**  
**for the Multitude**

Large as these figures are they are exceeded by the deaths from disease, exposure and privation, 180,322 for the Federals and 138,516 for the Confederates. From these causes, a total of 318,838 of the aggregate loss in human life, both sides being 582,260. The

### Three Men Attack and Kill a Noted Desperado.

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### Defenseless Prisoners are Shot Down by Drunken Soldiers—A Reign of

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### Why We Are Experiencing MI Winter in Advance of the Season

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